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OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL

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1. (Unclassified - DFM) Called Ralph Malvik, OMB, to report that the Agency is in full support of GSA's draft bills to amend 5 U. S. C. 5724a(a)(3) and (4) to liberalize conditions under which an employee may be entitled to subsistence expenses while occupying temporary quarters; and liberalizing code provisions which authorize reimbursement for the expenses of sale and purchase of a residence upon the transfer of an employee. No written response is required.
2. (Unclassified - DFM) At Mr. Cary's instruction, called Russ Rourke in the White House regarding H. Res. 400. I inquired whether his office had been requested for comments by the House Committee on International Relations and what the Administration's position was. I told him we had some special problems with this because of the section of our charter which exempted the Agency from the provision of any law requiring disclosure of the names, numbers, or functions of personnel. Rourke was quite sympathetic to our problem but said he believed this resolution was being handled by the office of Phil Buchen, Counsel to the President. He then suggested I call Rod Hills, whom he said had been newly appointed as deputy to Mr. Buchen and who would know what action was being taken. I subsequently called Hills at the number Rourke provided but he was tied up and said he would get back to me this afternoon.
3. (Unclassified - DFM) Called the office of the Senate Committee on Government Operations regarding S. 653, Senator William Proxmire's (D., Wisc.) bill to permit GAO audits of CIA accounts and operations. I was referred to Elizabeth Priest, one of the clerks for the Committee, who said that the bill had not been assigned to a subcommittee and that no agencies had yet been asked for comments. According to Ms. Priest, the Committee has taken no action on the bill whatsoever except to assign staff member Paul Hoff to handle it.

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